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IA 7 Tasked Agencies	
Primary Agencies	Police Department
Supporting Agencies	Public Works Fire Department Emergency Management Administration

1 Description

Civil disorder and/or terrorism are hazards that, while their frequency of occurrence can seldom be predicted, necessitate considerable planning on the part of the agency(s) responsible for addressing them. In addition, depending on the magnitude of the incident(s), they can rapidly deplete the available resources of any single agency. While the City of McMinnville has not experienced any terrorist incidents of any consequence, this does not mean that an individual or organized act of civil disobedience or terrorism could not occur. Given the diversity of issues and causes available that might instigate a terrorism related event, the City of McMinnville could potentially be involved in responding to and recovering from such an incident, requiring concerted effort on the part of the City and other responding agencies.

2 Response Planning

Planning and preparing for civil disorder/terrorism is primarily the responsibility of the Police Department. Unless other considerations warrant, all other City departments are responsible for maintaining their own operations and services during this type of incident.

An important component of activity prior to, during, and following any civil disorder/terrorism event is coordinating the communication flow of information with local, State, and Federal agencies that may be involved.

Civil disorder/terrorism is widespread and occurs in many different forms. Experience nationwide has shown great diversity in causes, issues, and responses associated with a variety of individuals and groups. Some areas that have been identified as likely targets of civil disorder/terrorism present in the City are identified in this plan.

2.1 Public Facilities

City, County, State, and Federal offices and public schools could be the target for any cause, should an individual or group so decide. In the case of McMinnville, this would include water, electricity, and sewer services provided for and maintained by the City.

2.2 Private Facilities

Private utilities, medical facilities, and financial institutions are some of the most likely recipients of civil disobedience and/or terrorism actions. The high-tech industry has also increasingly been targeted by various extremist groups.

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A rail line and two major highways run through the City of McMinnville, which could be targets of terrorist attack and cause significant impact to the citizens of McMinnville.

2.4 Environmental Issues

Rapid development is often accompanied by damage or destructions of areas of environmental concerns, which can cause adversarial reactions of various individuals or groups.

2.5 Political Issues

Political gatherings, issues, and decisions always have the potential to provoke varied reactions by individuals or groups.

3 Communication**3.1 Civil Disorder / Terrorism Information**

The police will receive information through the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS), Yamhill Communications Agency (YCOM), or observance in the field.

3.2 Public Information

Providing instructions to the public is the responsibility of the Police Public Information Officer (PIO). Unless otherwise directed, all releases will be issued from the Police Department P.I.O. Instructions to the public may include traffic detours and areas of operation that are restricted due to actual or anticipated unlawful activity and/or curfews imposed as a result of the activity.

4 Emergency Service Actions

All Incident Command System (ICS) functions accrue to the Police Department unless directed by Incident Command. In addition to the activities and responsibilities listed in the Basic Plan, the following activities and responsibilities may be necessary.

4.1 Police Department**4.1.1 Warning**

- ___1. Maintain an adequate stock of items likely to be in high demand.
- ___2. Evaluate equipment needs.
- ___3. Update resource lists.
- ___4. Establish and periodically update inter-agency coordination/communication.

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- ___5. Assume Incident Command.
- ___6. Provide public information regarding appropriate response(s) to minimize impact to public safety.

4.1.2 Impact

- ___1. Assess the impact on department resources and ability to provide normal routine response to calls for service.
- ___2. Assess the magnitude of the incident continually until resolution with respect to inter-agency involvement and ability to maintain services. Keep the City Manager involved.
- ___3. Respond to and control the incident in accordance with department standard operating procedures (SOPs).
- ___4. Assess the situation for additional needs from supporting City departments and/or other appropriate agencies.

4.1.3 Recovery

- ___1. Release excess personnel and equipment according to demobilization plan as resolution occurs.
- ___2. Assist compiling the damage assessment of City-owned equipment, utilities, roads, and buildings to support requests for appropriate disaster recovery assistance.
- ___3. Assign personnel to monitor and direct any needed long-term recovery processes.

4.2 Public Works**4.2.1 Warning**

- ___1. Increase warehouse inventories for items that are likely to be in high demand.
- ___2. Establish interdepartmental coordination/communication.

4.2.2 Impact

- ___1. Assist with response efforts as directed/indicated by the Police Department.
- ___2. Assess damage to City facilities managed by the Public Works Department.
- ___3. Assist the Police Department in the distribution of available resources.
- ___4. Identify security concerns and needs to the Police Department.

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- ___5. Coordinate public information releases with the Police PIO.

4.3 Fire Department**4.3.1 Warning**

- ___1. Establish an interagency coordination/communication plan.

4.3.2 Impact

- ___1. Assess damage to department resources.
- ___2. Respond to requests regarding public safety issues with which the Fire Department can assist.
- ___3. Maintain up-to-date information on developing conditions. Utilize appropriate access routes as conditions change.

4.4 Emergency Management**4.4.1 Warning**

- ___1. Participate in a regional coordination group to foster cooperation among affected jurisdictions.

4.4.2 Impact

- ___1. Consider activating the EOC.
- ___2. Consider activating volunteer organizations.
- ___3. Establish and maintain reporting and coordination contact with cooperating jurisdictions, State agencies, and volunteer organizations until the Liaison function is filled.
- ___4. Assist with Incident Command and Command Staff, as requested.
- ___5. Establish communications with County Emergency Management Organizations.
- ___6. Brief the Command organization on current conditions, capabilities, and activities in McMinnville and affected areas.

4.4.3 Recovery

- ___1. Assist in assessment of damages.
- ___2. Provide a coordination point for disaster recovery activities and agencies.
- ___3. Facilitate post-incident analysis.
- ___4. Revise and update the Emergency Operations Plan as incident analysis indicates.

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- ___1. City Manager: Consider activating the EOC.
- ___2. City Manager: Consider assuming overall incident command.
- ___3. City Manager: Consider the need for Emergency Declaration and begin the process, if necessary. See the Basic Plan and FA 4 – Recovery Strategy for more information.

4.5.2 Recovery

- ___1. Oversee preparation of requests for Disaster Declaration and begin assistance if necessary.

4.6 Incident Command**4.6.1 Impact**

- ___1. Provide overall incident strategy and management.
- ___2. Establish a Unified Command structure with other affected jurisdictions, as appropriate.
- ___3. Provide liaison with cooperating or assisting agencies, jurisdictions, and volunteers not part of the Unified Command structure.
- ___4. Establish and maintain contact with the media, provide public and protective action information, and conduct alert and warning, as appropriate.
- ___5. Monitor overall safety of incident operations.
- ___6. Establish an Incident Command structure as appropriate to effectively manage incident.
- ___7. Consider the need for a written Incident Action Plan.

5 Appendices

- None at this time.

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